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MONTHLY SEISMIC CREW COUNT (Month of October, 1984)

The number of seismic land crews and marine vessels searching for oil and gas in the U.S. and U.S. waters during October decreaeed by twenty-seven from the September total. The land crew total decreased by twenty-three crews and the marine crew total decreased by four, for a net decrease of twenty-seven. A significant number of crews had contracts but could not work due to abnormally heavy rains in some areas and snow in others.

The October total (497) represents a decrease of 5% from last month, a less than 1% decrease over October, 1983, a 3% decrease from October, 1982, a 33% decrease from October, 1981, a 13% decrease from October, 1980, a 14% increase over October, 1979, and a gain of 35% over the same month in 1978.

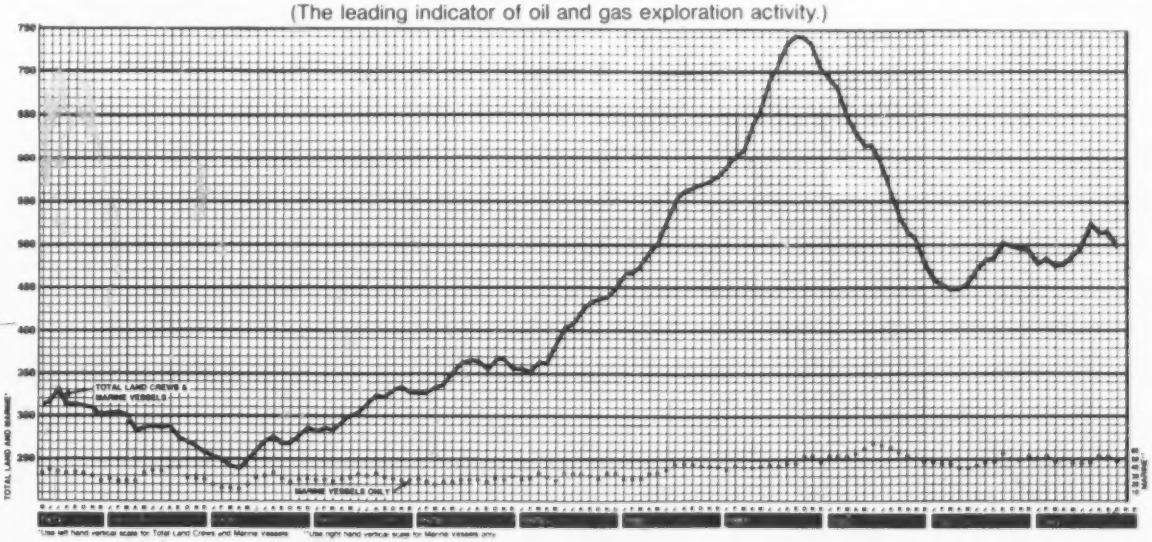
During October, eleven contractors were operating twenty-two of the 412 land crews and four of the forty-two vessels on a speculative basis.

TOTAL LAND & MARINE CREWS:	This Month 497	Last Month 524	Oct. 83 498	Oct. 82 516	Oct. 81 741	Oct. '80 571	Oct. 79 436	Oct. 78 371

	LAND CREWS								MARINE VESSELS							
	This Mo.	Last Mo.	Oct. 1983	Oct. 1982	Oct. 1981	Oct. 1980	Oct. 1979	Oct. 1978	This Mo.	Last Mo.	Oct. 1983	Oct. 1982	Oct. 1981	Oct. 1980	Oct. 1979	Oct. 1978
78 Contr's:	412	435	410	423	646	490	368	305	42	44	42	42	44	33	24	23
9 Oil Co's:	37	37	38	42	43	40	39	37	6	7	7	8	7	7	4	4
1 Gov't.:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	2
Totals:	449	472	448	465	689	530	407	342	48	52	50	51	52	41	29	29

SEISMIC CREW COUNT

(The leading indicator of oil and gas exploration activity.)



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CANADIAN SEISMIC CREW COUNT

October, 1984 (September figures in parentheses)

	Land Crews	Marine Vessels
27 Contractors:	58 (43)	8 (10)
2 Oil Companies:	3 (3)	0 (0)
Totals:	61 (46)	8 (10)

CANADIAN SEISMIC CREW COUNT
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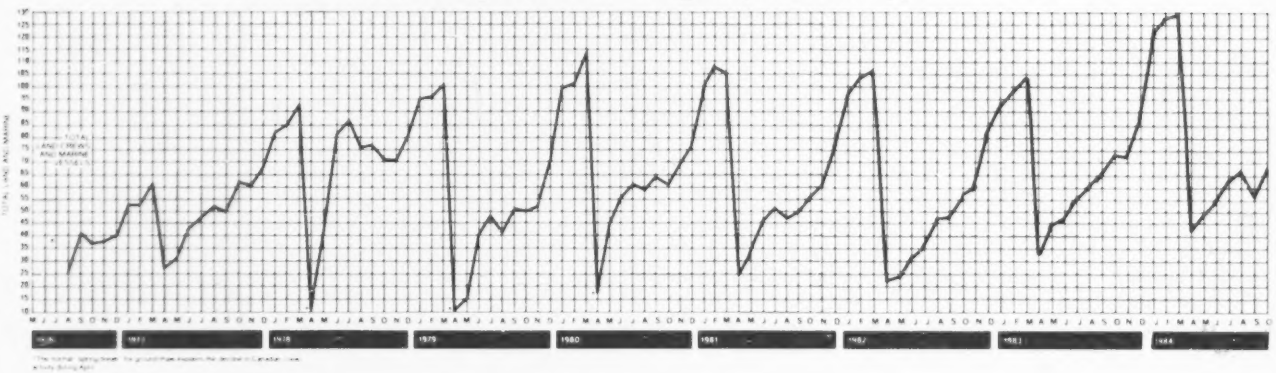

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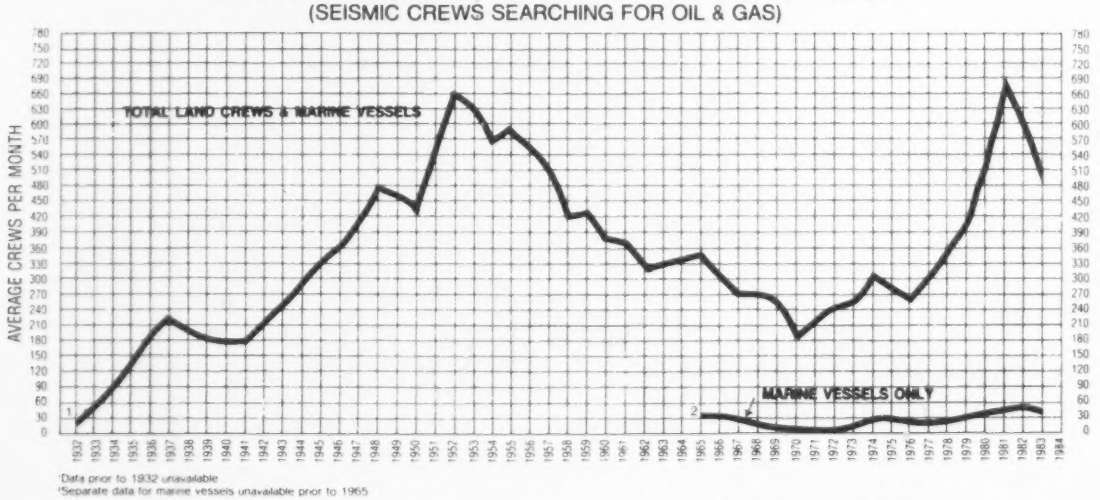

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MONTHLY SEISMIC CREW COUNT

(Month of November, 1984)

The number of seismic land crews and marine vessels searching for oil and gas in the U.S. and U.S. waters during November decreased by four from the October total. According to the Society of Exploration Geophysicists latest monthly report, the November total was 493 -- down five land crews and up one marine vessel from October.

The November total (493) represents a decrease of 1% from last month, a less than 1% decrease from November, 1983, a 2% decrease from November, 1982, a 33% decrease from November, 1981, a 14% decrease from November, 1980, a 12% increase over November, 1979, and a gain of 34% over the same month in 1978.

During November, fifteen contractors were operating twenty-six of the 407 land crews and two of the forty-two vessels on a speculative basis.

TOTAL LAND & MARINE CREWS:	This Month 493	Last Month 497	Nov. 83 495	Nov. 82 502	Nov. 81 733	Nov. '80 572	Nov. 79 439	Nov. 78 369

	LAND CREWS								MARINE VESSELS							
	This Mo.	Last Mo.	Nov. 1983	Nov. 1982	Nov. 1981	Nov. 1980	Nov. 1979	Nov. 1978	This Mo.	Last Mo.	Nov. 1983	Nov. 1982	Nov. 1981	Nov. 1980	Nov. 1979	Nov. 1978
80 Contr's:	407	412	408	410	638	491	369	304	42	42	42	42	45	33	25	22
10 Oil Co's:	37	37	38	42	43	40	39	38	7	6	7	7	7	7	4	5
1 Gov't.:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	2	0
Totals:	444	449	446	452	681	531	408	342	49	48	49	50	52	41	31	27

SEISMIC CREW COUNT

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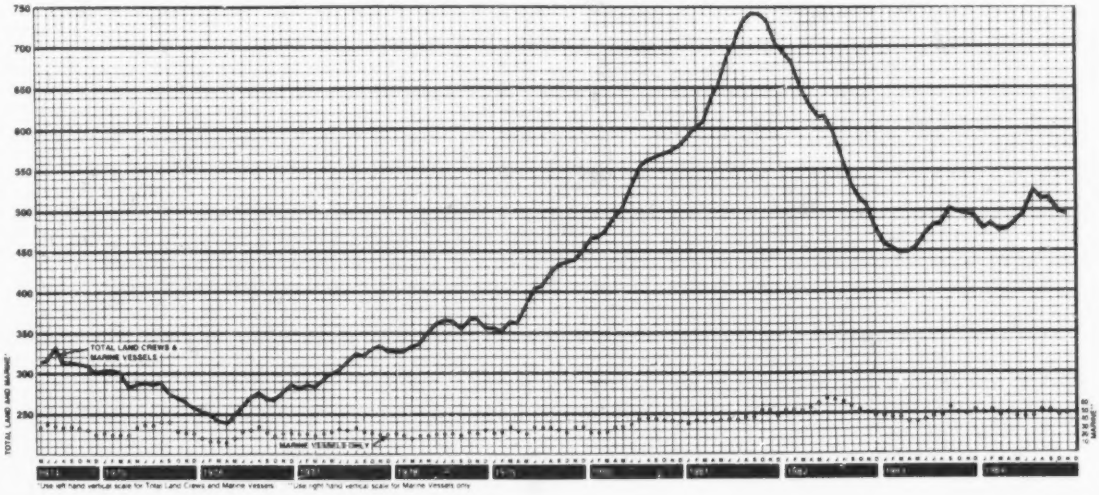

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CANADIAN SEISMIC CREW COUNT

November, 1984 (October figures in parentheses)

	Land Crews	Marine Vessels
27 Contractors:	75 (58)	6 (8)
2 Oil Companies:	3 (3)	0 (0)
Totals:	78 (61)	6 (8)

CANADIAN SEISMIC CREW COUNT

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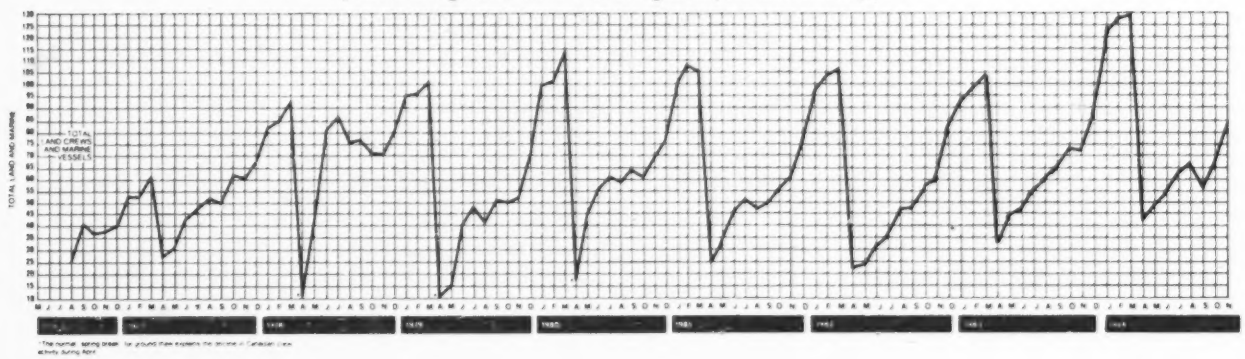

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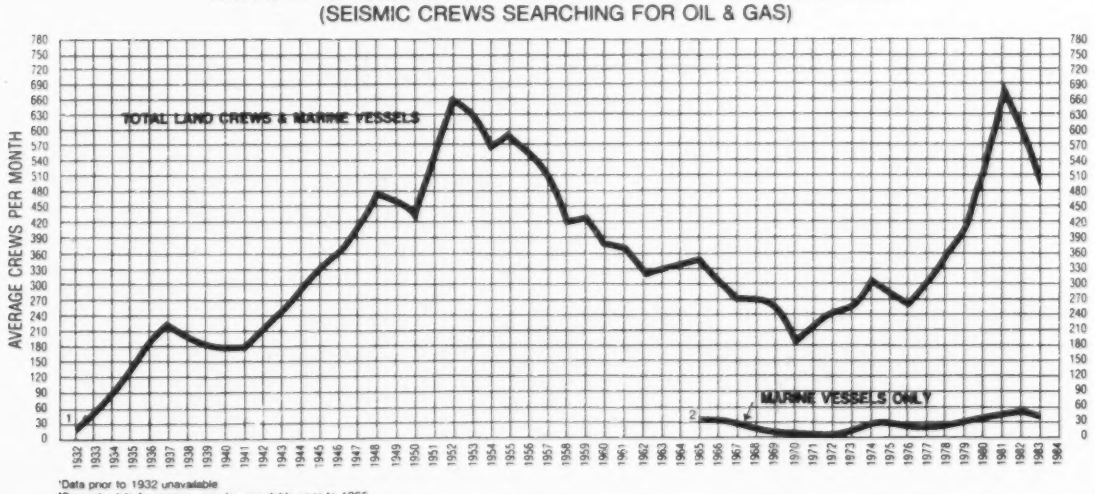

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MONTHLY SEISMIC CREW COUNT

(Month of December, 1984)

The number of seismic land crews and marine vessels searching for oil and gas in the U.S. and U.S. waters during December decreased by twenty-seven from the November total. The land crew total decreased by thirty crews and the marine crew total increased by three crews for a net decrease of twenty-seven. The prevailing reason for the decrease during the month of December was weather.

The December total (466) represents a decrease of 5% from last month, a 5% decrease from December, 1983, a 2% decrease from December, 1982, a 34% decrease from December, 1981, a 20% decrease from December, 1980, a 4% increase over December, 1979, and a gain of 30% over the same month in 1978.

During December, thirteen contractors were operating twenty-five of the 378 land crews and two of the forty-four vessels on a speculative basis.

TOTAL LAND & MARINE CREWS:	This Month	Last Month	Dec. 83	Dec. 82	Dec. 81	Dec. '80	Dec. 79	Dec. 78
	466	493	493	477	703	580	450	358

	LAND CREWS								MARINE VESSELS							
	This Mo.	Last Mo.	Dec. 1983	Dec. 1982	Dec. 1981	Dec. 1980	Dec. 1979	Dec. 1978	This Mo.	Last Mo.	Dec. 1983	Dec. 1982	Dec. 1981	Dec. 1980	Dec. 1979	Dec. 1978
75 Contr's:	378	407	408	386	613	500	380	290	44	42	41	42	39	34	25	23
10 Oil Co's:	36	37	37	42	43	40	39	38	8	7	7	7	8	6	4	7
1 Gov't.:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Totals:	414	444	445	428	656	540	419	328	52	49	48	49	47	40	31	30

SEISMIC CREW COUNT

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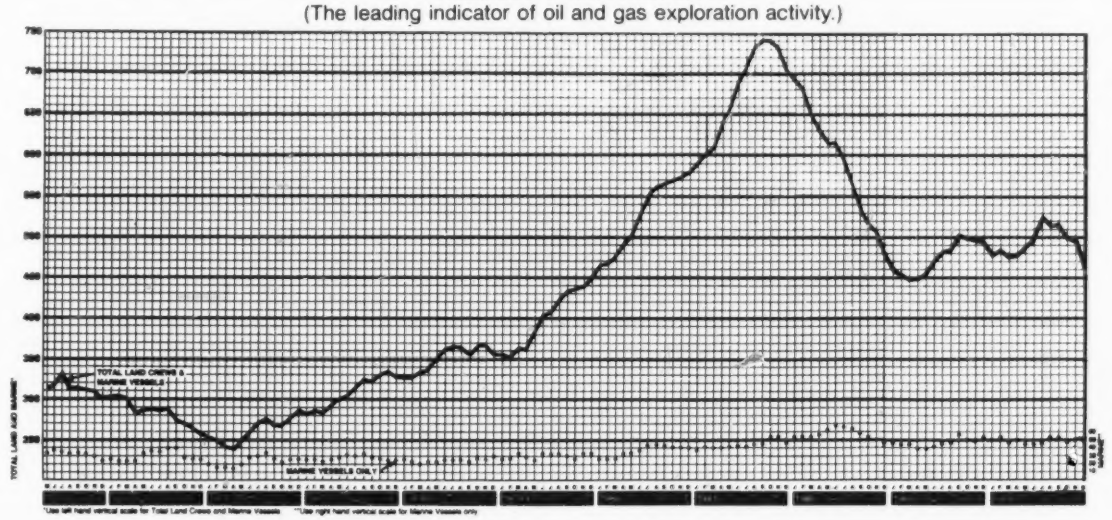

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CANADIAN SEISMIC CREW COUNT

December, 1984 (November figures in parentheses)

	Land Crews	Marine Vessels
29 Contractors:	102 (75)	5 (6)
2 Oil Companies:	3 (3)	0 (0)
Totals:	105 (78)	5 (6)

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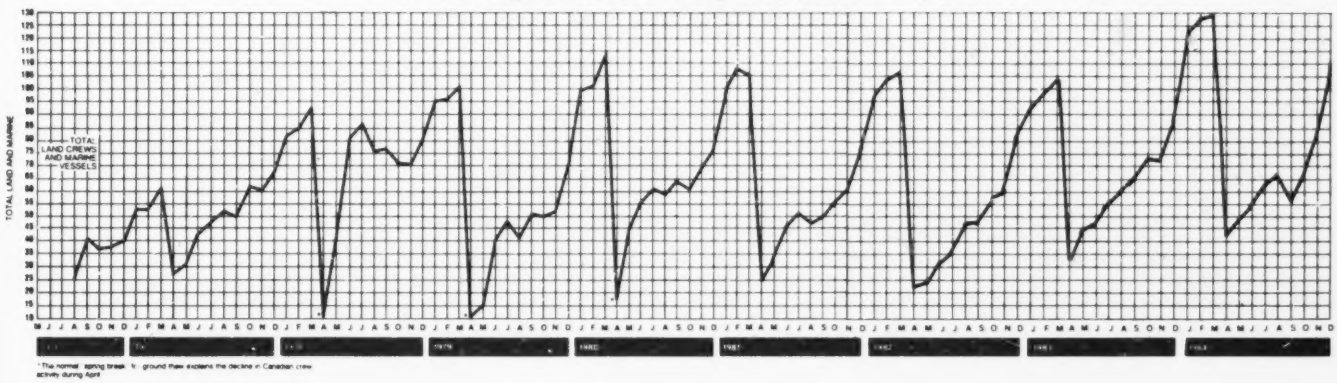

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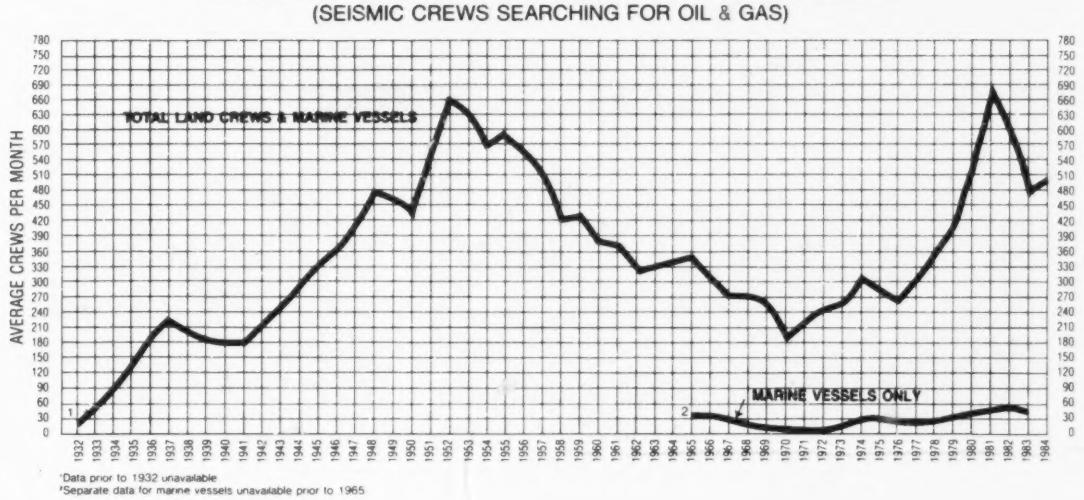

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MONTHLY SEISMIC CREW COUNT

(Month of January, 1985)

The number of seismic land crews and marine vessels searching for oil and gas in the U.S. and U.S. waters during January declined by twenty-seven from the December total. According to the Society of Exploration Geophysicists' latest monthly report, the January total was 439, compared with 466 the preceding month. Approximately one-fourth of the decline was due to poor weather conditions.

The January total (439) represents a decrease of 6% from last month, an 8% decrease from January, 1984, a 4% decrease from January, 1983, a 37% decrease from January, 1982, a 26% decrease from January, 1981, a 6% decrease from January, 1980, and a gain of 24% over the same month in 1979.

During January, eleven contractors were operating seventeen of the 358 land crews and four of the thirty-nine vessels on a speculative basis.

TOTAL LAND & MARINE CREWS:	This Month 439	Last Month 466	Jan. 84 477	Jan. 83 456	Jan. 82 695	Jan. 81 591	Jan. 80 468	Jan. 79 355

	LAND CREWS								MARINE VESSELS							
	This Mo.	Last Mo.	Jan. 1984	Jan. 1983	Jan. 1982	Jan. 1981	Jan. 1980	Jan. 1979	This Mo.	Last Mo.	Jan. 1984	Jan. 1983	Jan. 1982	Jan. 1981	Jan. 1980	Jan. 1979
75 Contr's:	358	378	390	365	599	513	400	290	39	44	42	42	46	32	24	21
10 Oil Co's:	35	36	37	42	43	40	39	37	7	8	8	7	7	6	5	7
1 Gov't.:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals:	393	414	427	407	642	553	439	327	46	52	50	49	53	38	29	28

SEISMIC CREW COUNT

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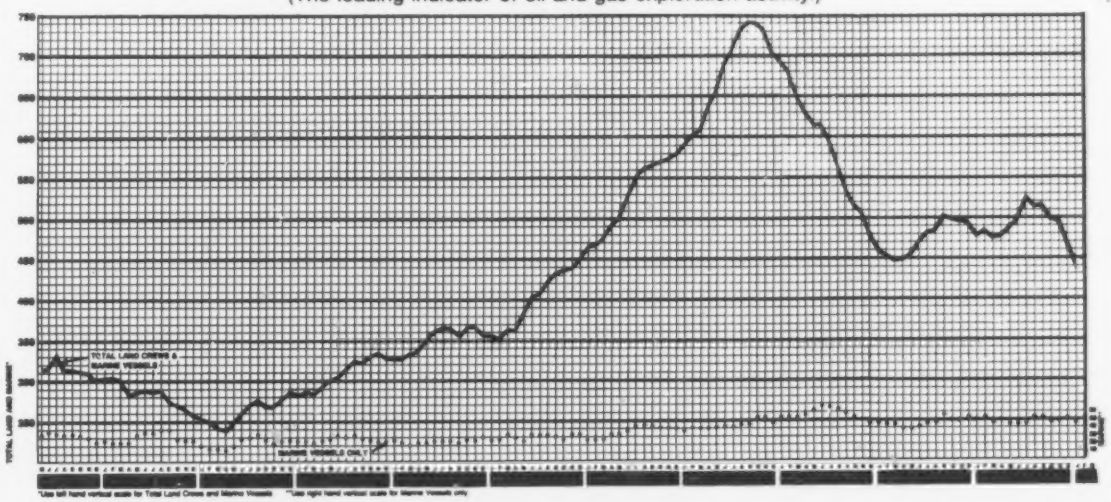

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CANADIAN SEISMIC CREW COUNT

January, 1985 (December, 1984 figures in parentheses)

	Land Crews	Marine Vessels
28 Contractors:	120 (102)	0 (5)
2 Oil Companies:	3 (3)	0 (0)
Totals:	123 (105)	0 (5)

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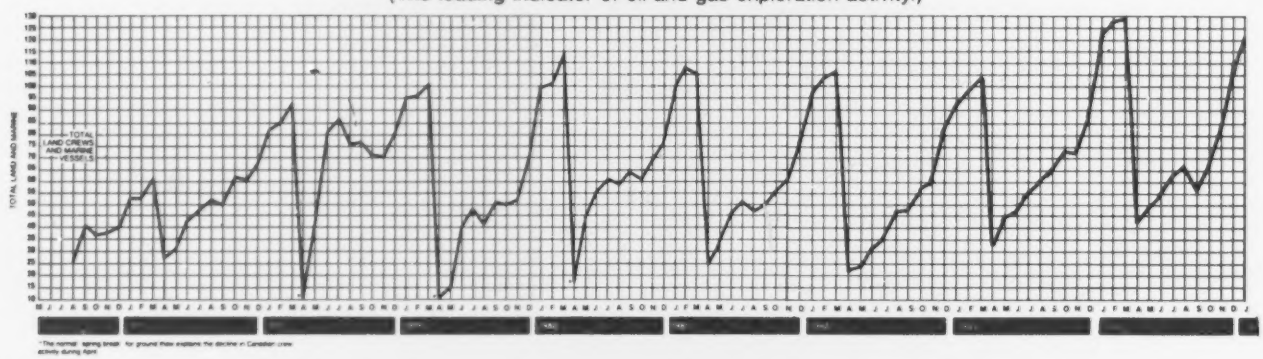

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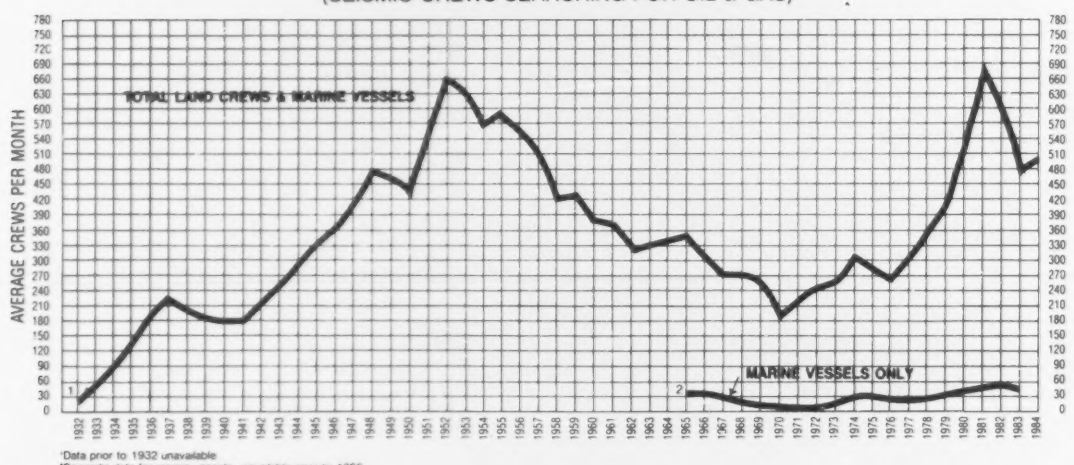

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MONTHLY SEISMIC CREW COUNT (Month of February, 1985)

The number of seismic land crews and marine vessels searching for oil and gas in the U.S. and U.S. waters during February decreased by thirty-three land crews from the January total of 439. The marine crew total remained stable at forty-six for a total of 406 crews and vessels. A significant number of crews had contracts to work but could not due to abnormally heavy rains in some areas and snow in others.

The February total (406) represents a decrease of 8% from last month, a 16% decrease from February, 1984, a 10% decrease from February, 1983, a 40% decrease from February, 1982, a 33% decrease from February, 1981, a 13% decrease from February, 1980, and a gain of 16% over the same month in 1979.

During February, ten contractors were operating twenty-three of the 326 land crews and seven of the thirty-eight vessels on a speculative basis.

TOTAL LAND & MARINE CREWS:	This Month	Last Month	Feb. 84	Feb. 83	Feb. 82	Feb. 81	Feb. 80	Feb. 79
	406	439	486	451	678	602	469	350

	LAND CREWS								MARINE VESSELS							
	This Mo.	Last Mo.	Feb. 1984	Feb. 1983	Feb. 1982	Feb. 1981	Feb. 1980	Feb. 1979	This Mo.	Last Mo.	Feb. 1984	Feb. 1983	Feb. 1982	Feb. 1981	Feb. 1980	Feb. 1979
74 Contr's:	326	358	396	362	582	520	401	284	38	39	45	40	46	34	24	22
10 Oil Co's:	34	35	37	42	43	41	39	37	7	7	8	7	7	7	5	7
1 Gov't.:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals:	360	393	433	404	625	561	440	321	46	46	53	47	53	41	29	29

SEISMIC CREW COUNT

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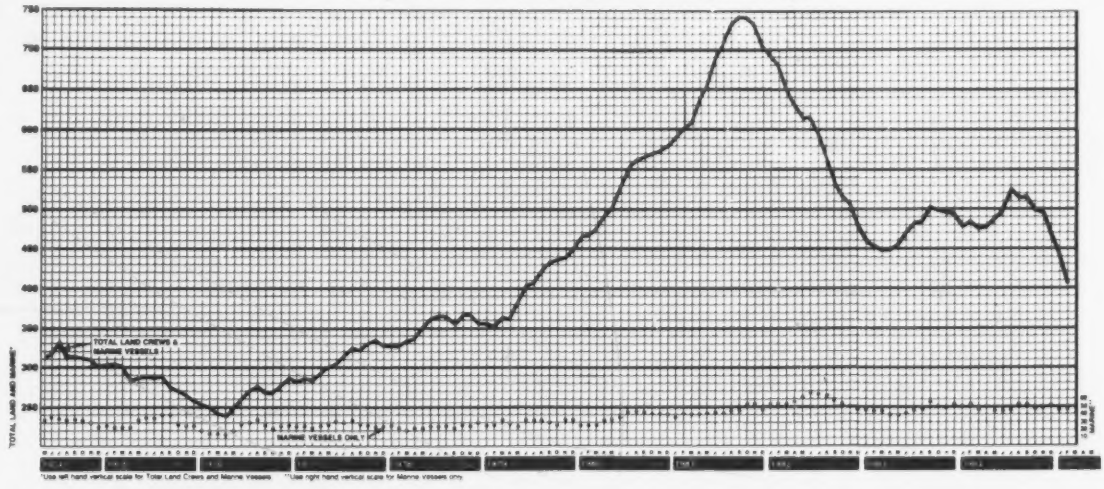

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CANADIAN SEISMIC CREW COUNT

February, 1985 (January figures in parentheses)

	Land Crews	Marine Vessels
38 Contractors:	149 (120)	1 (0)
2 Oil Companies:	3 (3)	0 (0)
Totals:	152 (123)	1 (0)

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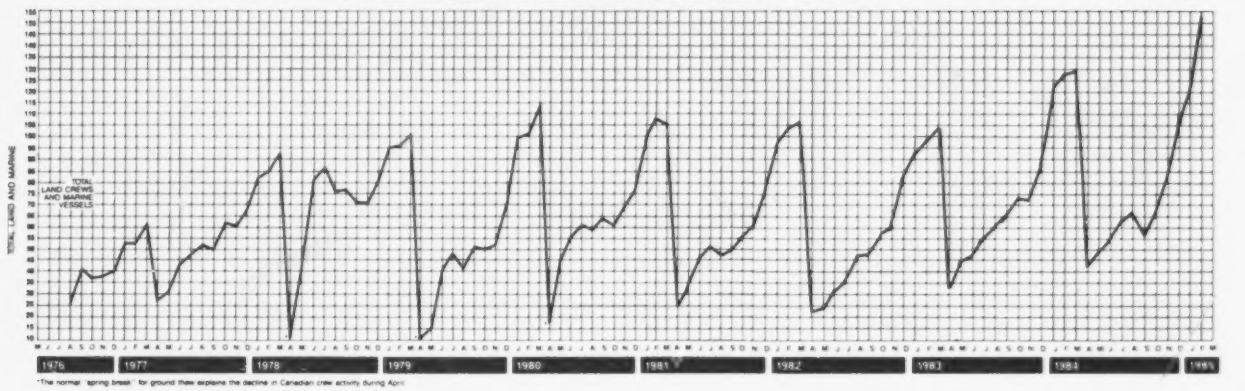

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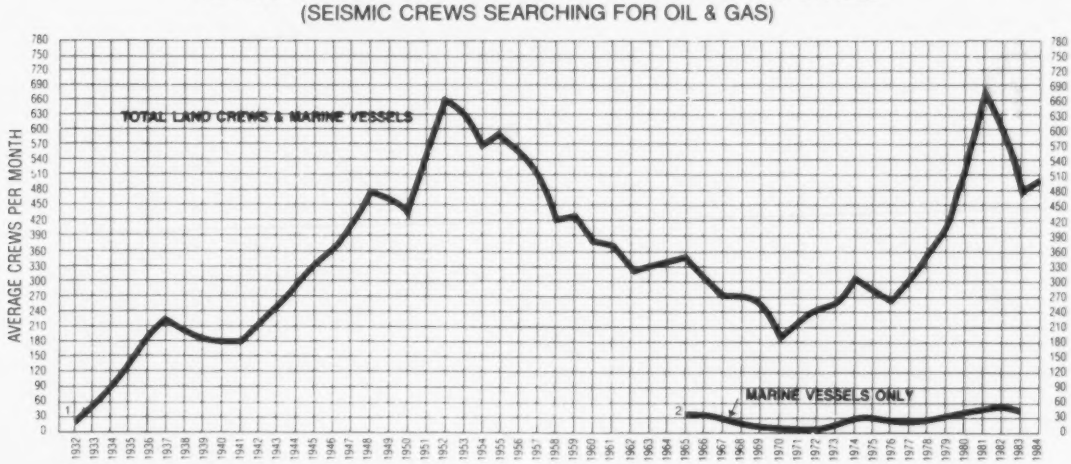

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MONTHLY SEISMIC CREW COUNT (Month of March, 1985)

The number of seismic land crews and marine vessels searching for oil and gas in the U.S. and U.S. waters during March decreased by eighteen from the February total. The land crew total decreased by twenty crews and the marine crew total increased by two crews for a net decrease of eighteen.

The March total (388) represents a decrease of 4% from last month, an 18% decrease from March, 1984, a 13% decrease from March, 1983, a 40% decrease from March, 1982, a 36% decrease from March, 1981, a 19% decrease from March, 1980, and a gain of 7% over the same month in 1979.

During March, eleven contractors were operating twenty-four of the 306 land crews and eight of the forty vessels on a speculative basis.

TOTAL LAND & MARINE CREWS:	This Month	Last Month	Mar. 84	Mar. 83	Mar. 82	Mar. 81	Mar. 80	Mar. 79
	388	406	471	447	649	610	477	364

	LAND CREWS								MARINE VESSELS							
	This Mo.	Last Mo.	Mar. 1984	Mar. 1983	Mar. 1982	Mar. 1981	Mar. 1980	Mar. 1979	This Mo.	Last Mo.	Mar. 1984	Mar. 1983	Mar. 1982	Mar. 1981	Mar. 1980	Mar. 1979
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1 Gov't.:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Totals:	340	360	424	402	597	570	448	332	48	46	47	45	52	40	29	32

SEISMIC CREW COUNT

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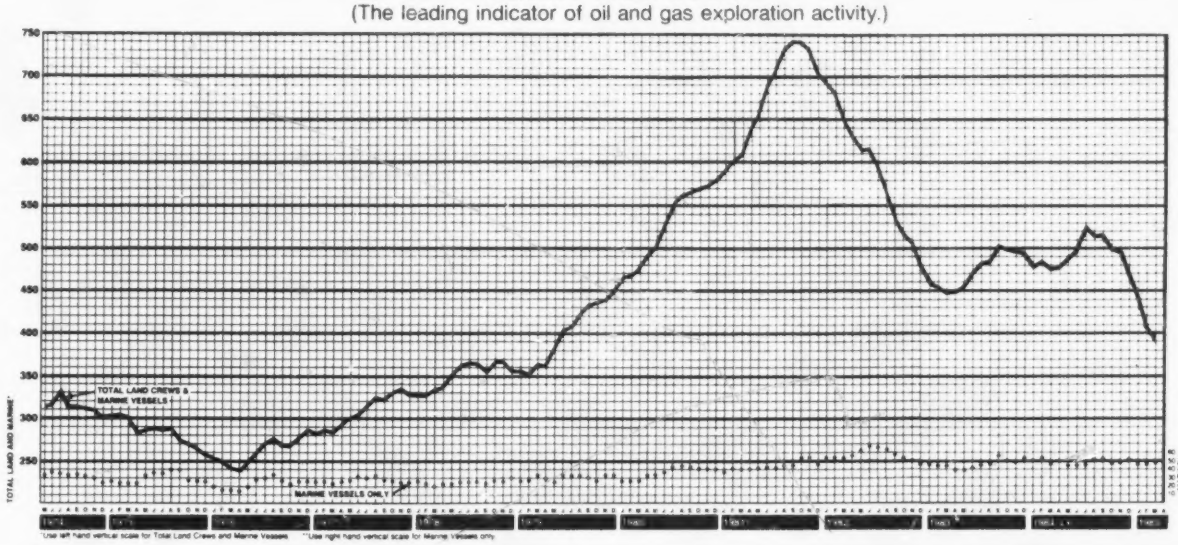

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CANADIAN SEISMIC CREW COUNT

March, 1985 (February figures in parentheses)

	Land Crews	Marine Vessels
37 Contractors:	150 (149)	3 (1)
2 Oil Companies:	3 (3)	0 (0)
Totals:	153 (152)	3 (1)

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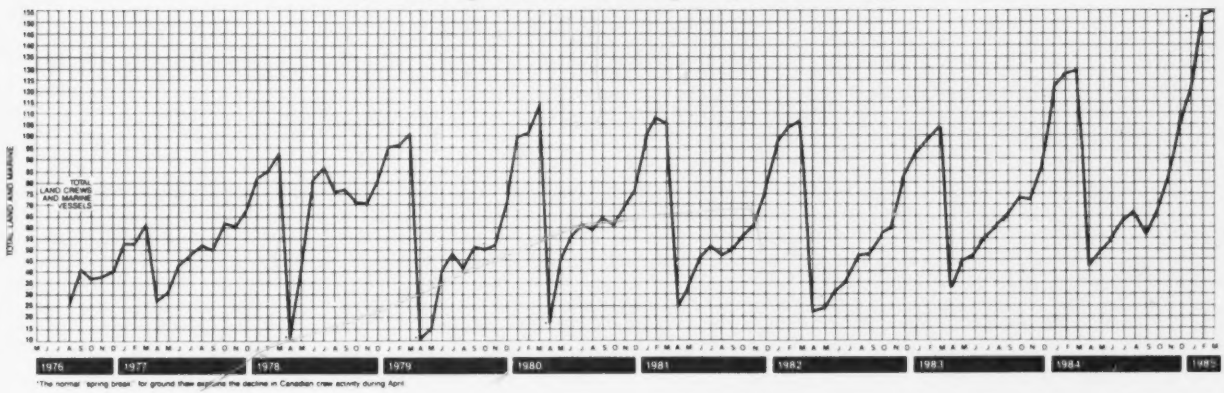

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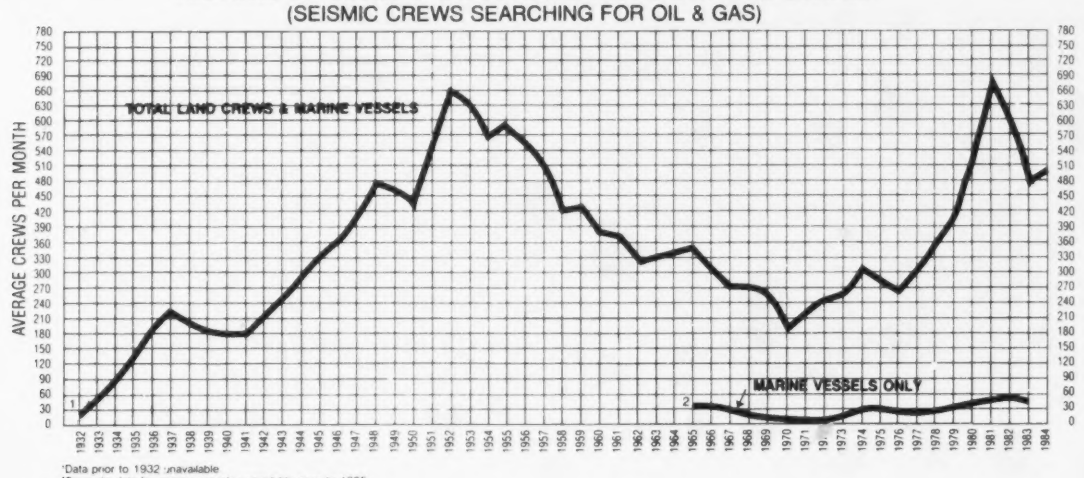

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MONTHLY SEISMIC CREW COUNT

(Month of April, 1985)

The number of seismic land crews and marine vessels searching for oil and gas in the U.S. and U.S. waters during April decreased for the sixth consecutive month. The land crew total decreased by four crews and the marine crew total decreased by one crew for a net decrease of five.

The April total (383) represents a decrease of 1% from last month, a 19% decrease from April, 1984, a 15% decrease from April, 1983, a 39% decrease from April, 1982, a 41% decrease from April, 1981, a 23% decrease from April, 1980, and a gain of 6% over the same month in 1979.

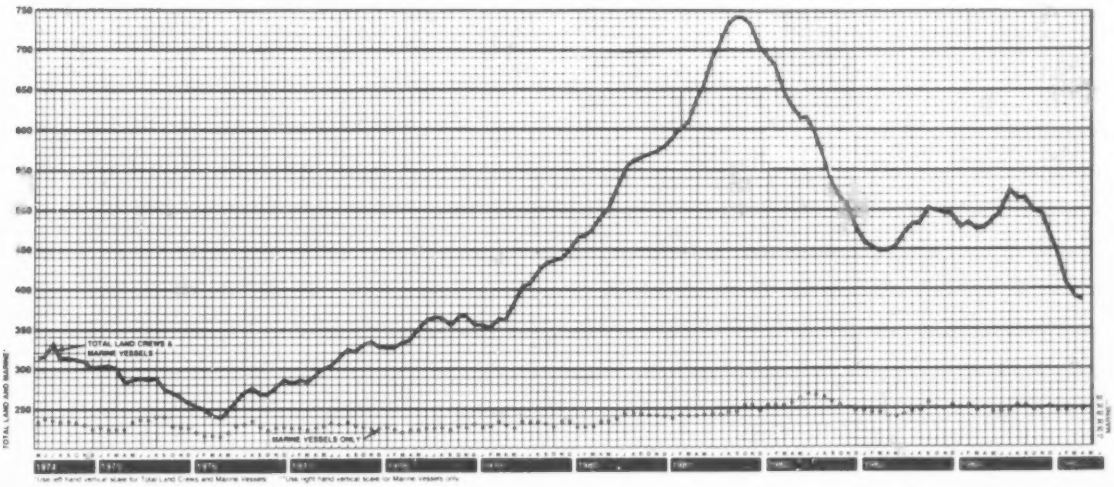
During April, nine contractors were operating twenty-four of the 304 land crews and seven of the thirty-nine vessels on a speculative basis.

TOTAL LAND & MARINE CREWS:	This Month	Last Month	Apr. 84	Apr. 83	Apr. 82	Apr. 81	Apr. 80	Apr. 79
	383	388	473	449	626	645	496	360

	LAND CREWS								MARINE VESSELS							
	This Mo.	Last Mo.	Apr. 1984	Apr. 1983	Apr. 1982	Apr. 1981	Apr. 1980	Apr. 1979	This Mo.	Last Mo.	Apr. 1984	Apr. 1983	Apr. 1982	Apr. 1981	Apr. 1980	Apr. 1979
70 Contr's:	304	306	385	369	528	564	426	293	39	40	42	32	48	32	25	22
10 Oil Co's:	32	34	38	41	43	41	39	37	7	7	8	7	7	7	6	7
1 Gov't.:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1
Totals	336	340	423	410	571	605	465	330	47	48	50	39	55	40	31	30

SEISMIC CREW COUNT

(The leading indicator of oil and gas exploration activity.)



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CANADIAN SEISMIC CREW COUNT

April, 1985 (March figures in parentheses)

	Land Crews	Marine Vessels
14 Contractors:	20 (150)	6 (3)
1 Oil Company:	1 (3)	0 (0)
Totals:	21 (153)	6 (3)

Note: "Spring Break" for ground thaw explains the decline in Canadian crew activity during April.

CANADIAN SEISMIC CREW COUNT
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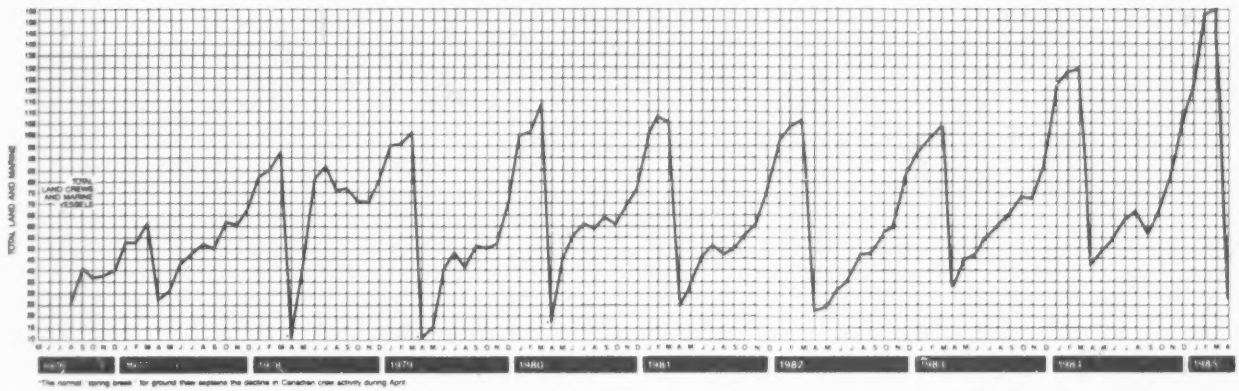

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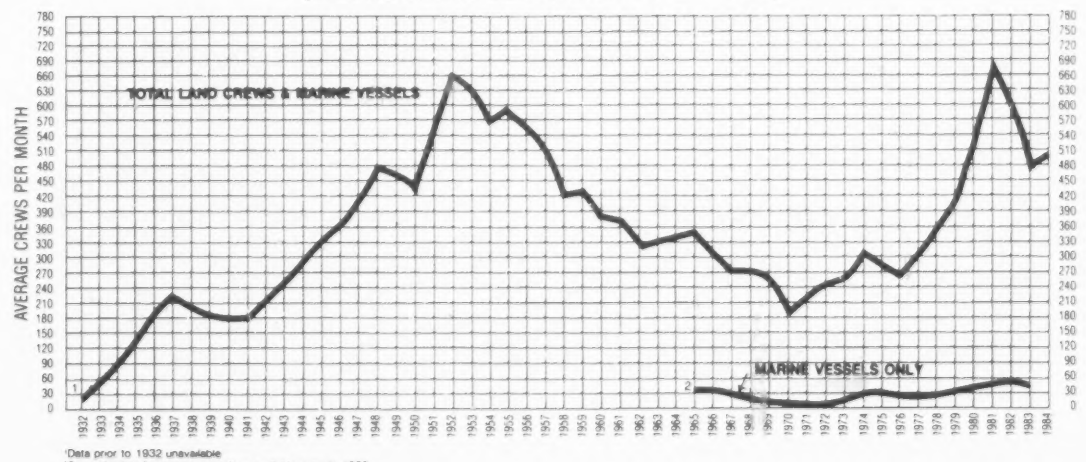

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MONTHLY SEISMIC CREW COUNT (Month of May, 1985)

The number of seismic land crews and marine vessels searching for oil and gas in the U.S. and U.S. waters during May decreased for the seventh consecutive month. The land crew total decreased by thirteen crews, and the marine crew total decreased by six for a net decrease of nineteen.

The May total (364) represents a decrease of 5% from last month, a 26% decrease from May, 1984, a 20% decrease from May, 1983, a 41% decrease from May, 1982, a 45% decrease from May, 1981, a 27% decrease from May, 1980, and a decrease of 5% from the same month in 1979.

During May, seven contractors were operating seventeen of the 293 land crews and five of the thirty-five vessels on a speculative basis.

TOTAL LAND & MARINE CREWS:	This Month 364	Last Month 383	May '84 490	May '83 455	May '82 612	May '81 661	May '80 502	May '79 383

	LAND CREWS								MARINE VESSELS							
	This Mo.	Last Mo.	May 1984	May 1983	May 1982	May 1981	May 1980	May 1979	This Mo.	Last Mo.	May 1984	May 1983	May 1982	May 1981	May 1980	May 1979
70 Contr's:	293	304	406	375	508	578	429	317	35	39	38	33	53	34	28	21
10 Oil Co's:	30	32	38	41	43	41	39	38	5	7	8	6	8	7	6	6
1 Gov't.:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1
Totals	323	336	444	416	551	619	468	355	41	47	46	39	61	42	34	28

SEISMIC CREW COUNT

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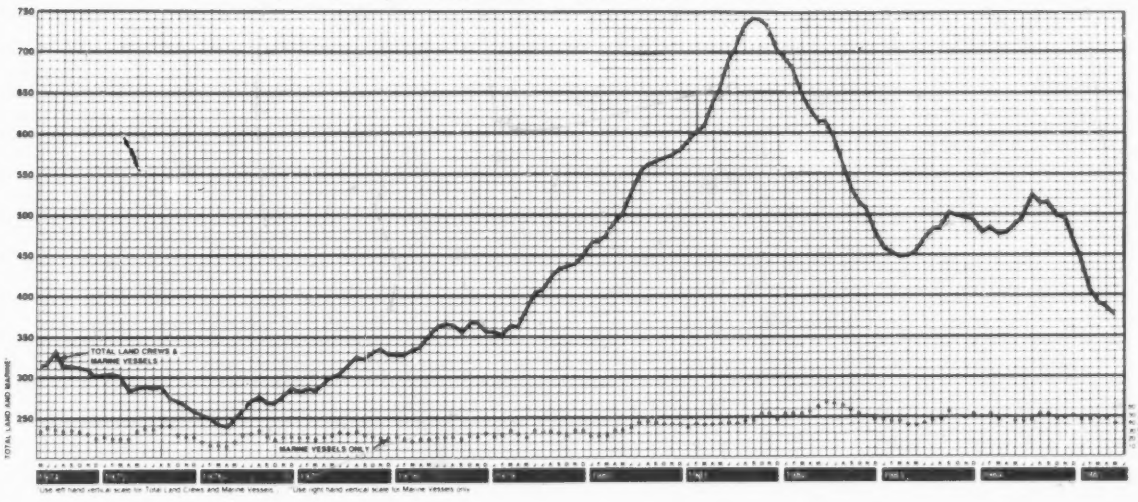

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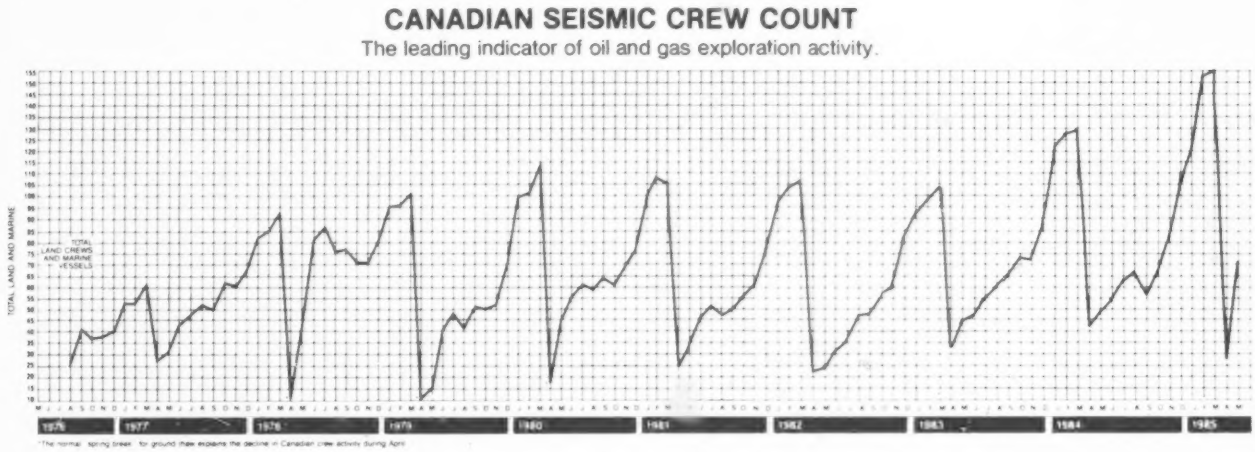
CANADIAN SEISMIC CREW COUNT

May, 1985 (April figures in parentheses)

	Land Crews	Marine Vessels
30 Contractors:	61 (20)	6 (6)
2 Oil Companies:	3 (1)	0 (0)
Totals:	64 (21)	6 (6)



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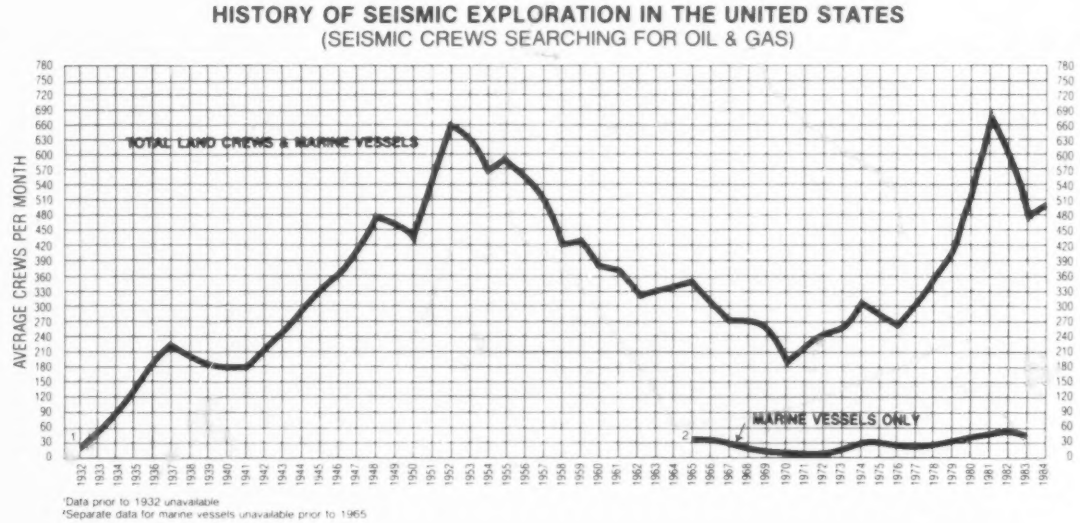
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MONTHLY SEISMIC CREW COUNT (Month of June, 1985)

The number of seismic land crews and marine vessels searching for oil and gas in the U.S. and U.S. waters during June showed an increase for the first time since September, 1984. The land crew total increased by one crew, and the marine crew total increased by six for a net increase of seven crews.

The June total (371) represents an increase of 2% over last month, a 26% decrease from June, 1984, a 21% decrease from June, 1983, a 40% decrease from June, 1982, a 47% decrease from June, 1981, a 31% decrease from June, 1980, and a decrease of 8% over the same month in 1979.

During June, ten contractors were operating twenty-two of the 294 land crews and ten of the forty vessels on a speculative basis.

TOTAL LAND & MARINE CREWS:	This Month	Last Month	June 84	June 83	June 82	June 81	June 80	June 79
	371	364	500	471	615	696	535	404

	LAND CREWS								MARINE VESSELS							
	This Mo.	Last Mo.	June 1984	June 1983	June 1982	June 1981	June 1980	June 1979	This Mo.	Last Mo.	June 1984	June 1983	June 1982	June 1981	June 1980	June 1979
70 Contr's:	294	293	418	387	503	610	457	333	40	35	38	37	62	37	32	26
10 Oil Co's:	30	30	37	41	43	42	39	39	6	5	7	6	7	6	6	5
1 Gov't.:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1
Totals	324	323	455	428	546	652	496	372	47	41	45	43	69	44	39	32

SEISMIC CREW COUNT

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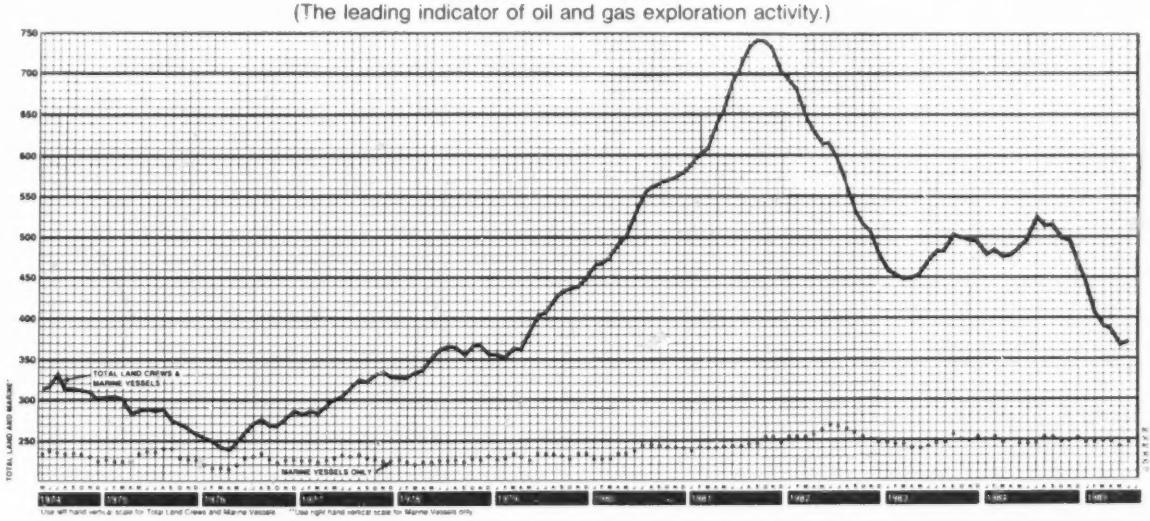

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CANADIAN SEISMIC CREW COUNT

JUNE, 1985 (May figures in parentheses)

	Land Crews	Marine Vessels
32 Contractors:	63 (61)	5 (6)
2 Oil Companies:	3 (3)	0 (0)
Totals:	66 (64)	5 (6)

CANADIAN SEISMIC CREW COUNT
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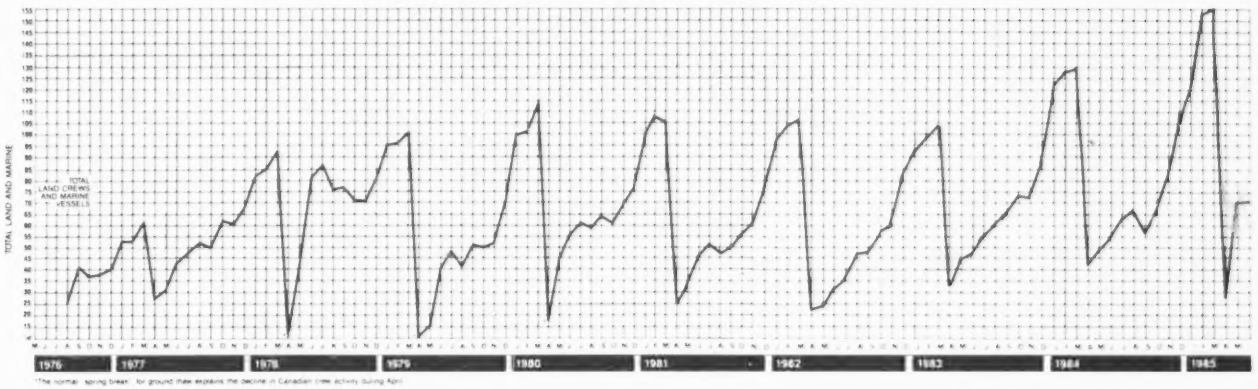

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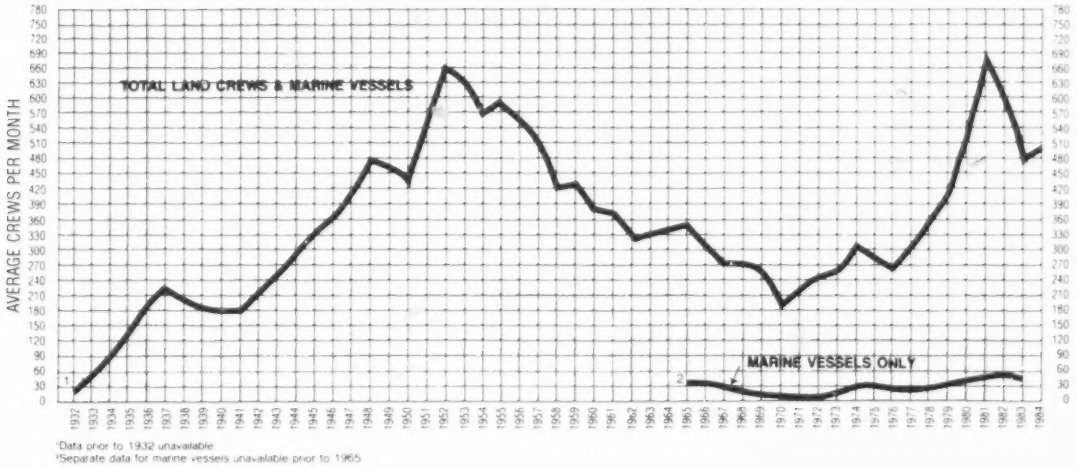

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MONTHLY SEISMIC CREW COUNT

(Month of July, 1985)

The total number of seismic land crews and marine vessels searching for oil and gas in the U.S. and U.S. waters took a dramatic step upward during the month of July, increasing by twenty-six crews. According to the Society of Exploration Geophysicists' latest monthly report, the July total was 397, up from 371 in June. The twenty-six crew increase was the largest monthly increase since one year ago (July, 1984) when the total increased by twenty-nine crews.

The July total (397) represents an increase of 7% over last month, a 25% decrease from July, 1984, an 18% decrease from July, 1983, a 33% decrease from July, 1982, a 44% decrease from July, 1981, a 29% decrease from July, 1980, and a 2% decrease from the same month in 1979.

During July, eleven contractors were operating nineteen of the 317 land crews and six of the forty-one vessels on a speculative basis.

TOTAL LAND & MARINE CREWS:	This Month	Last Month	July 84	July 83	July 82	July 81	July 80	July 79
	397	371	529	483	593	711	556	407

	LAND CREWS								MARINE VESSELS							
	This Mo.	Last Mo.	July 1984	July 1983	July 1982	July 1981	July 1980	July 1979	This Mo.	Last Mo.	July 1984	July 1983	July 1982	July 1981	July 1980	July 1979
73 Contr's:	317	294	445	397	484	625	475	337	41	40	39	41	58	36	35	26
9 Oil Co's:	33	30	37	40	43	43	39	39	6	6	7	5	7	6	6	4
1 Gov't.:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1
Totals	350	324	482	437	527	668	514	376	47	47	47	46	66	43	42	31

SEISMIC CREW COUNT

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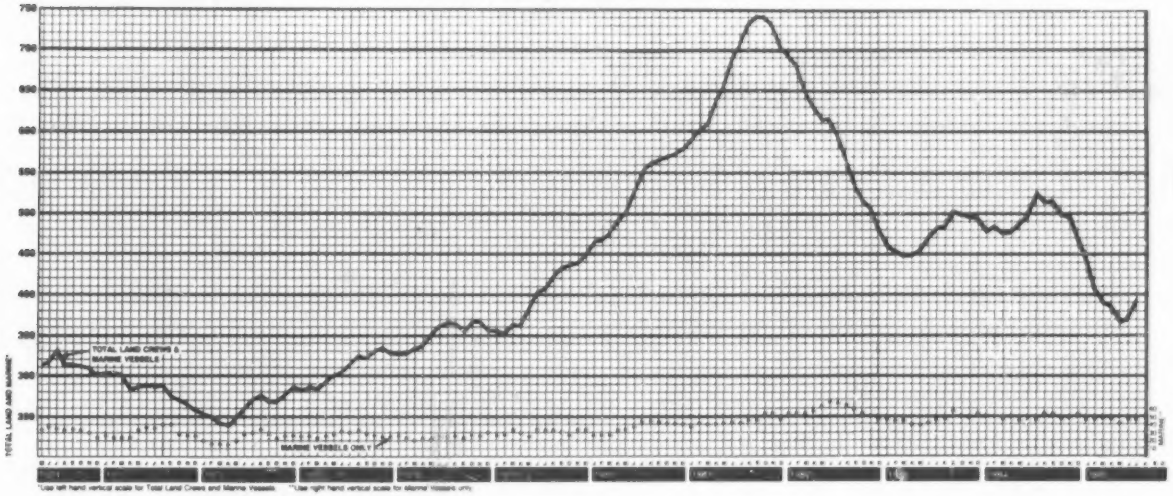

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CANADIAN SEISMIC CREW COUNT

JULY, 1985 (June figures in parentheses)

	Land Crews	Marine Vessels
35 Contractors:	77 (63)	8 (5)
2 Oil Companies:	3 (3)	0 (0)
Totals:	80 (66)	8 (5)

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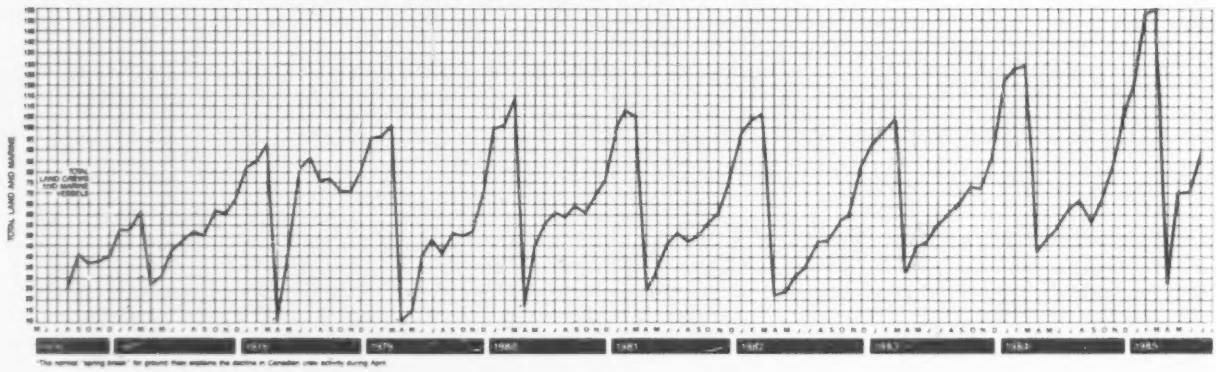

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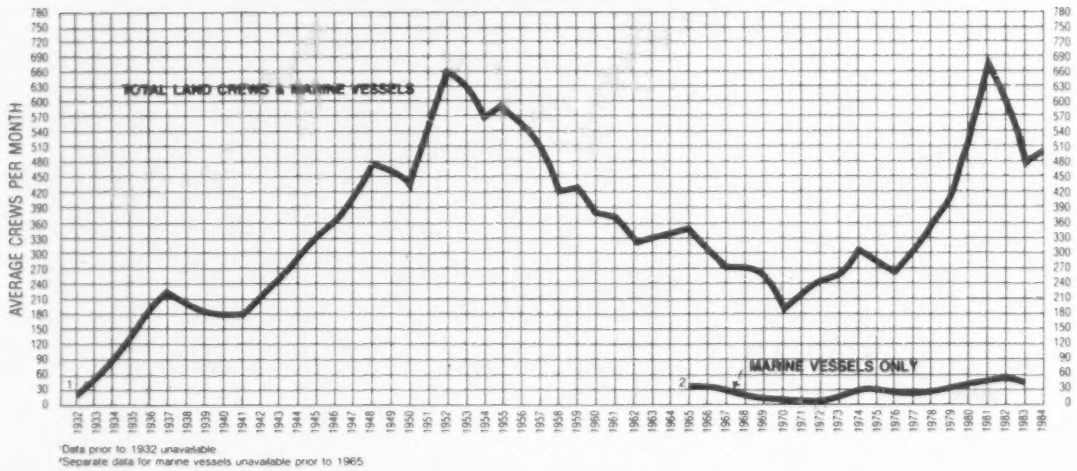

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MONTHLY SEISMIC CREW COUNT (Month of August, 1985)

According to the Society of Exploration Geophysicists' latest report, the number of seismic land crews and marine vessels searching for oil and gas in the U.S. and U.S. waters during August decreased by seven crews and vessels over July. The August total was 390, compared with 397 in July.

The August total (390) represents a decrease of 2% from last month, a 25% decrease from August, 1984, a 19% decrease from August, 1983, a 31% decrease from August, 1982, a 47% decrease from August, 1981, a 31% decrease from August, 1980, and a decrease of 8% from the same month in 1979.

During August, seven contractors were operating thirteen of the 308 land crews and seven of the forty-two vessels on a speculative basis.

TOTAL LAND & MARINE CREWS:	This Month	Last Month	Aug. 84	Aug. 83	Aug. 82	Aug. 81	Aug 80	Aug 79
	390	397	523	484	562	735	565	424

	LAND CREWS								MARINE VESSELS							
	This Mo.	Last Mo.	Aug. 1984	Aug. 1983	Aug. 1982	Aug. 1981	Aug. 1980	Aug. 1979	This Mo.	Last Mo.	Aug. 1984	Aug. 1983	Aug. 1982	Aug. 1981	Aug. 1980	Aug. 1979
69 Contr's:	308	317	433	396	458	646	482	354	42	41	45	43	54	39	36	25
9 Oil Co's:	33	33	37	39	42	43	39	39	6	6	7	6	7	6	7	5
1 Gov't.:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1
Totals	341	350	470	435	500	689	521	393	49	47	53	49	62	46	44	31

SEISMIC CREW COUNT

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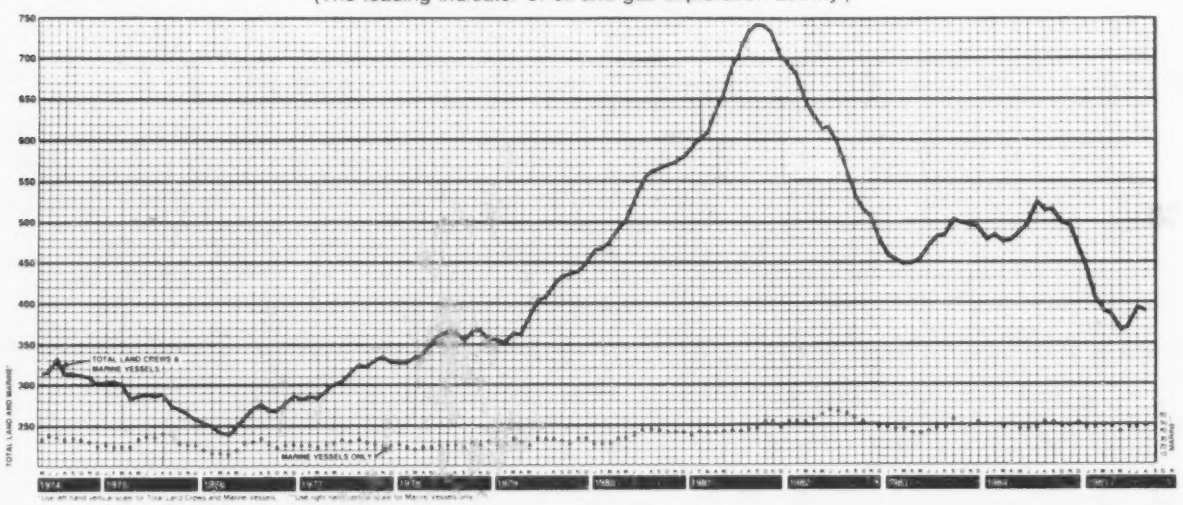

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CANADIAN SEISMIC CREW COUNT

AUGUST, 1985 (July figures in parentheses)

	Land Crews	Marine Vessels
30 Contractors:	58 (77)	8 (8)
2 Oil Companies:	3 (3)	0 (0)
Totals:	61 (80)	8 (8)

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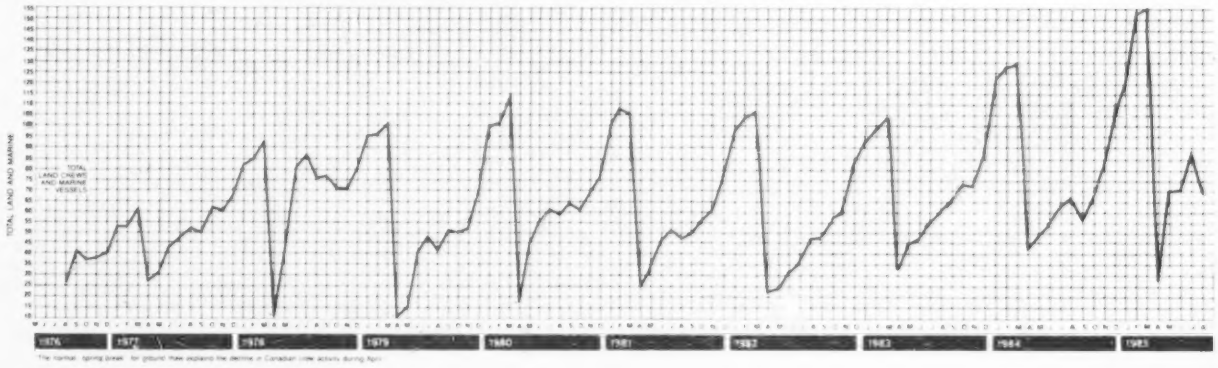

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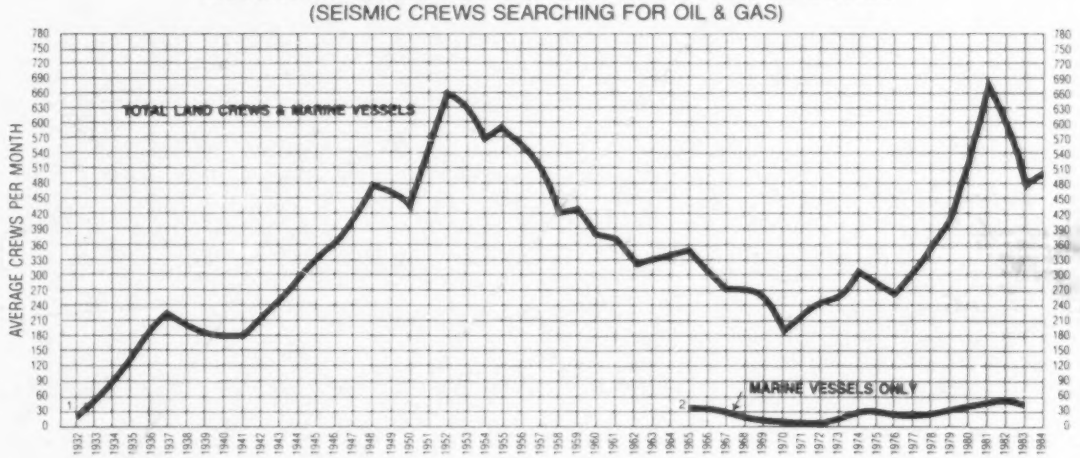

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MONTHLY SEISMIC CREW COUNT

(Month of September, 1985)

According to the Society of Exploration Geophysicists' latest report, the number of seismic land crews and marine vessels searching for oil and gas in the U.S. and U.S. waters during September decreased by eighteen crews over August. The land crew total decreased by eighteen, and the marine vessel total remained the same at forty-nine. An interesting note is that there are exactly half as many crews in operation now as there were five years ago when the Crew Count reached its all-time high of 744 crews in September of 1981.

The September total (372) represents a decrease of 5% from last month, a 29% decrease from September, 1984, a 26% decrease from September, 1983, a 30% decrease from September, 1982, a 50% decrease from September, 1981, a 34% decrease from September, 1980, and a decrease of 14% from the same month in 1979.

During September, eleven contractors were operating eighteen of the 290 land crews and six of the forty-three vessels on a speculative basis.

TOTAL LAND & MARINE CREWS:	This Month 372	Last Month 390	Sept'84 524	Sept'83 501	Sept'82 535	Sept'81 744	Sept'80 567	Sept'79 433

	LAND CREWS								MARINE VESSELS							
	This Mo.	Last Mo.	Sept 1984	Sept 1983	Sept 1982	Sept 1981	Sept 1980	Sept 1979	This Mo.	Last Mo.	Sept 1984	Sept 1983	Sept 1982	Sept 1981	Sept 1980	Sept 1979
68 Contr's:	290	308	435	405	434	654	484	364	43	42	44	49	50	40	36	24
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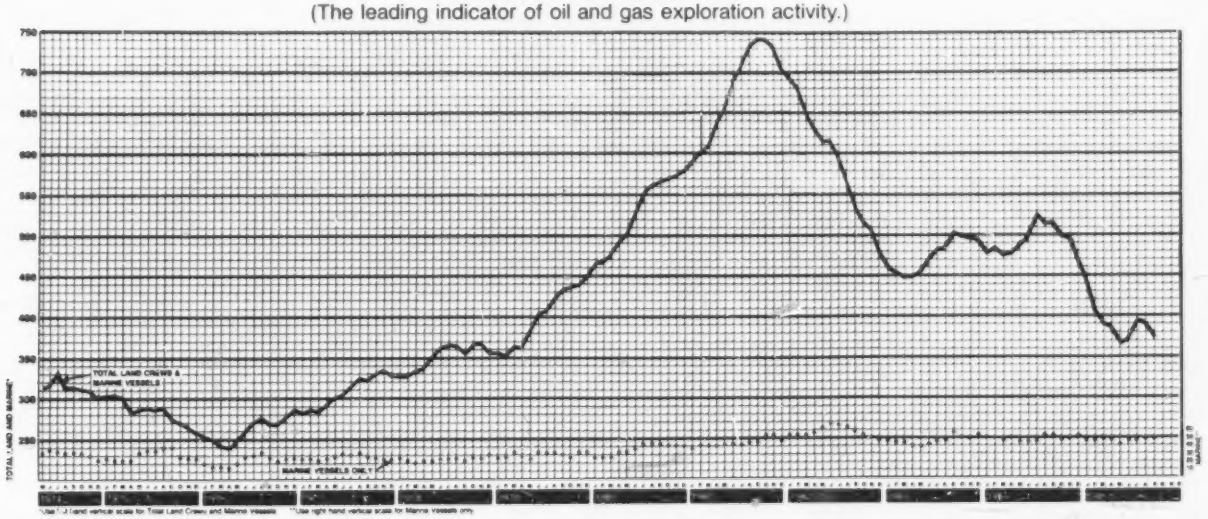

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CANADIAN SEISMIC CREW COUNT

SEPTEMBER, 1985 (August figures in parentheses)

	Land Crews	Marine Vessels
25 Contractors:	46 (58)	5 (8)
2 Oil Companies:	3 (3)	0 (0)
Totals:	49 (61)	5 (8)

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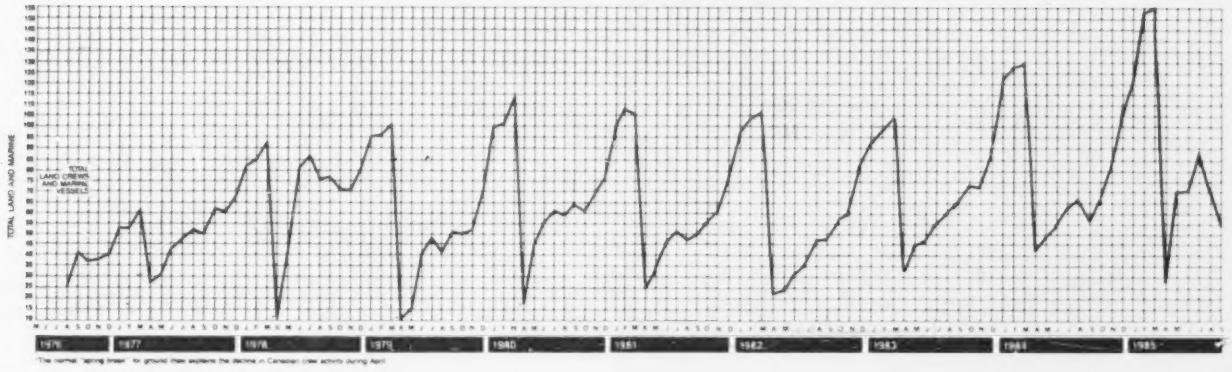

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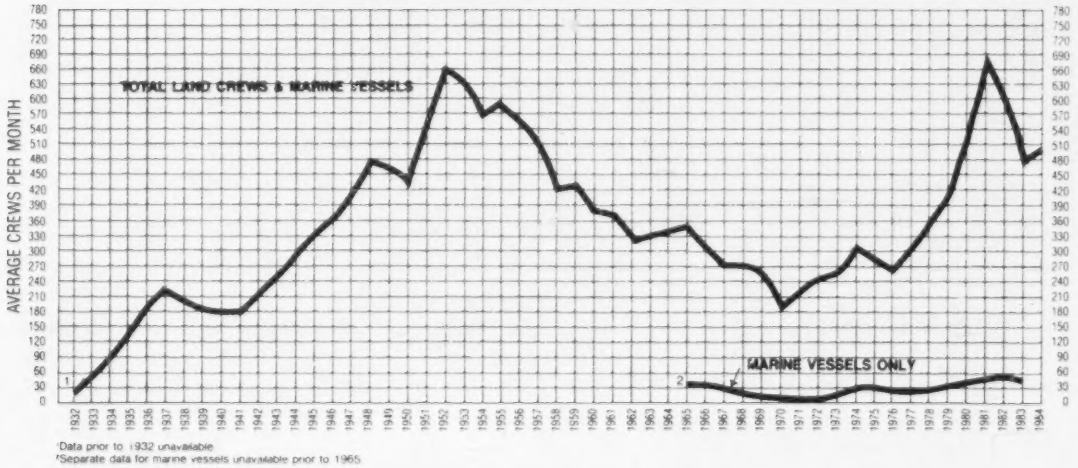

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